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On-duty Cops must wear Body Cameras: DG&IGP

File photo of traffic cop with Body Worn Camera

City Police using only 11 of 30 sanctioned cameras; District Police have 54 cameras, majority used by Traffic wing

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (RK&BS)- It has been eight years since the City Police got Body Worn Cameras (BWC) in 2015, to ensure transparency in day-to-day functioning on the field, but not all the cameras are in use for reasons best known to the authorities.

Body Cameras are back in news with a recent circular issued by Karnataka DG & IGP Alok Mohan making it compulsory for all Police personnel to wear the camera during work, to check growing number of illegal activities and corrupt practices among the Police.

During B. Dayanand's (now Bengaluru Police Commissioner) previous stint as Mysuru City Police Commissioner (from Apr. 2015 to Oct. 2016), 30 Body Cameras were sanctioned for Traffic wing, excluding Law and Order (L&O) and only 11 among them are used now. The cameras in use are linked to Mobile Command Centre, which is deployed during protests, wordy duels between Police and motorists and other sensitive issues to ensure transparency.

(See BODY CAMS on page 6)

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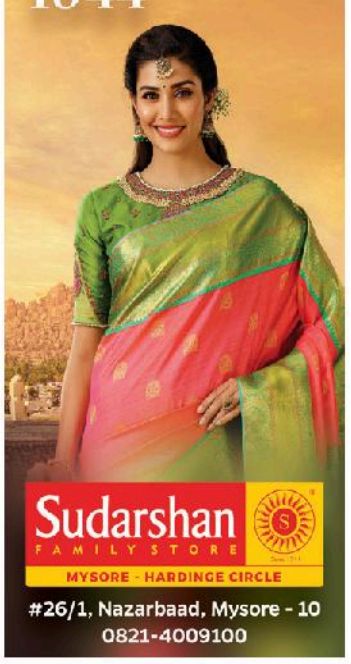
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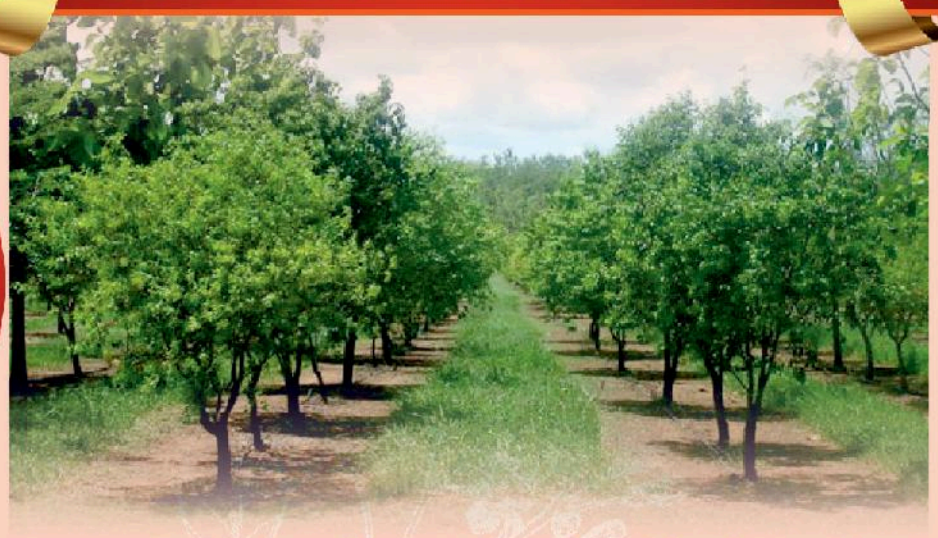

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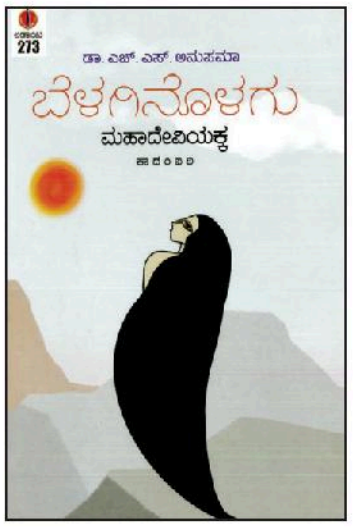
Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 1st December 2023

Sri Shivarathreeshwara Book Award for Thirthahalli Doctor

Dr. Anupama

Mysuru, Dec. 1- Dr. H.S. Anupama of Thirthahalli in Shivamogga district has been selected for Sri Shivarathreeshwara Award (2022) for her book titled 'Belaginolagu Mahadeviyakka.'



The Award, instituted by Sri Shivarathreeshwara Religious Endowment of JSS Mahavidyapeetha, carries a cash prize of Rs.25,000 and a citation. The Award will be conferred on her at a programme to be held shortly. Sri Shivarathreeshwara Award has been presented to 34 books so far since 1983.

Dr. Anupama is a doctor by profession and has special interest in literature. She has over 50 books, including story collection, poetry collection, novel, biography, medical literature, travelogue, translation and edited books, to her credit.

Presently, she has opened a hospital in Kavalakki village of Honnavara taluk and serving people. She has been a member of Karnataka Federation Against Women Harassment and has also been actively involved in social service. She has been honoured with many awards for her contributions in literary and social service fields.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The gift of life is more precious than we care to realise. Just taking birth as a human, being alive and in a position to function and contribute in some way is a blessing. Yet quite often we only choose to dwell on, magnify and amplify what is going wrong in our lives. At times not knowing where to look or unable to find the right kind of support and guidance — whether in terms of mental health experts, counsellors, or trusted mentors, some people, sadly take the extreme step of snuffing out their own lives. So much so that today suicide is considered a significant public health issue. How does one view this through the spiritual lens? Killing of humans is prohibited by religions and killing oneself is tantamount to self-murder. After all, the body is a temple. It is God given and He resides at our very core.

So, the person taking his or her life is in a sense hurting God. Very often the suicidally prone believe that taking their lives will put an end to their troubles. Nothing can be more skewed than this. Spiritual masters say when someone commits suicide it takes many births to wipe away the bad karma accrued from such an act. Rather than allowing people to buckle under — whether when facing a financial crisis or a relationship crisis or a nagging health issue or when they're caught in the throes of a depression, we should encourage and help each other find the will and resilience to cope. As a society we need to be more empathetic and sensitive to what goes on in the minds and lives of not only ourselves but immediate family members and those around us. It is worthwhile starting with the young and teaching children essential life skills that they can draw upon in the face of challenges.

No one has a life free of hurdles. They may come in all shapes and sizes. The thing to remember is that they are sent our way to mentally and emotionally steel and prepare us to find our true selves. Life is too valuable to be cut short, derailing the larger plan and purpose for each one of us. None of us has the capacity to give life other than to procreate. How then can we arrogate the power to take it away? Ours or anyone else's?

— Sudha Umashanker in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Smart toilet up in flames while on use

Beijing: A Chinese man barely managed to get off his smart toilet with his bum intact after smoke started coming out of the toilet bowl and the whole thing burst into flames.

According to a recent local report, a man from Xiamen, Fujian Province, recorded his smart toilet burning after a suspected short-circuit. The incident occurred on Nov. 10, while the man was using the toilet. At first, there was the smell of smoke, then plumes of white smoke started billowing from the toilet bowl and finally, just as the man got up from the toilet, the smart toilet burst into flames. Photos taken by the shocked man show that he didn't even have time to put his shorts on before the toilet started burning.

Woman claims she lived on liquids for 50 years

Loc Ninh: A 75-year-old Vietnamese woman claims she has not eaten any solid food in 50 years, instead surviving only on water and sugary soft drinks.

Bui Thi Loi, from Loc Ninh commune, in Vietnam's Quang Binh Province, looks in great shape for her age, which only makes her diet that much more surprising. The elderly woman insists that she has lived on water and soft drinks for half a century and that she never craves solid foods. It all started in 1963 when she was struck by lightning while she and other women were climbing up a mountain to treat injured soldiers during the war. She was knocked unconscious and although she survived, she was never the same after that. She didn't eat anything for days after coming to her senses, so her friends started giving her sweetened water.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Exercise during pregnancy is important, Improves blood circulation and keeps joints relaxed.

By Dr. Shaheen Akhtar - Consultant- Obstetrics & Gynecology - Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

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Kaartika edition of Champaka Rashtreeya Kalaa Utsava tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec. 1- Champaka Educational and Cultural Trust, Mysuru, is continuing its ambitious initiative of conducting monthly cultural events since June 2023 to showcase Indian performing arts under the banner "Champaka Rashtreeya Kalaa Utsava."

The 'Kaartika' season edition in this series will be held on Dec.2 (Saturday) at 4.30 pm at Champaka Sabhangana, Champaka Academy premises in Ramakrishnanagar, showcasing Bharatanatyam performances by accomplished artistes from Bengaluru and Mysuru.

The evening will start with a Bharatanatyam feature "Ramam Bhaje" showcasing popular compositions on Lord Rama by Vidushi Dr. Nagalakshmi Nagarajan, Founder of Champaka Academy.

Vidushi Chethana Nagaraj (vocal), Vidwan K.S. Ganesh (flute) and Vidwan Vikram Bharadwaj (mridanga) will be part of the musical ensemble.

Guru Dr. Padmini Shreedhar, Artistic-Director of Nritya Gaana Academy for Performing Arts, Bengaluru, along with her disciples will present "Bharata Mela-Kolara Sampradaya" a Bharatanatyam feature.

Disciples of Vidushi Prathima Murthy, Director of Nritya Deeksha School of Classical Dance, Mysuru, will also be presenting a Bharatanatyam feature.

Mahesh Jambardi, COO of Excelsoft Technologies, Mysuru and Suma Mahesh, Senior Volunteer at SVYM, will be the chief guests. Members of the public may attend the event. For details call Mob: 99801-34090, according to a press release.

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VOICE OF THE READER

Stop littering
Kukkarahalli Lake

Sir,

I go for a walk very frequently at the Kukkarahalli Lake since a few years. I wish to point out that in recent times I have observed people misusing the Lake premises by throwing garbage at multiple places which is reaching the water and also directly into the Lake.

Is it time for us to be alarmed now or wait for further damage to the nature and also the wildlife thriving quietly at the Lake ? Who is responsible for this and why no corrective measures have been taken yet ?

It is really sad to see and experience this and also the indifferent attitude of the people and disrespect the very sign out at one of the entrance gates *"Keep the Lake Clean."* Who is supposed to man this at the Lake? Why not come up with more dustbins or impose a fine for whoever litters the Lake inside ?

It will be really sad to see this beautiful Lake slowly give in to human indirections. I hope there is some action towards maintaining this Lake's cleanliness intact as a sign of respect towards nature and wildlife as part of this enchanting city.

—Name withheld

Mysuru
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Theatre can delve deep into core of poetic reality: C. Basavalingaiah

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (SPN&BS)- Former Director of Rangayana C. Basavalingaiah has remarked that modern theatre possesses the capability to delve into the core of poetry in its pursuit of truth.

He made these statements during the inauguration of a theatre training camp organised by Desiranga Samskruthika Samsthe at Kalamandira recently. "Efforts should be made by teachers to educate students about prose and poetry, a practice that is currently lacking. I consider this to be a mistake. During my boyhood, I relished listening to 'Punyakoti Govina Haadu' (a song about the Punyakoti cow). While pursuing my degree, some anonymous writers portrayed the cow featured in the song as the 'hero' and the tiger as the 'villain.' This prompted me to question this interpretation," said Basavalingaiah.

"The question that arose in my mind was that the tiger did not stray to hunt the cow. It was the cow that crossed the territory in search of food and ended up in the mouth of the tiger. The cow pleads with the tiger to spare some time to feed its calf. The cow returns to the tiger after feeding its calf, an act of honesty appreciated by the tiger in the song," he said.

"The tiger later kills itself by jumping from a cliff. Even in this sequence, the tiger is portrayed as a cruel animal. Still, why was the tiger painted as a villain when it did not cross the territory to hunt? It would have been better if the plot of Punyakoti was narrated without deviating from reality. Hence, the only medium that can capture the inner details of Punyakoti is theatre,' asserted Basavalingaiah.

Former Director of Rangayana C. Basavalingaiah, who inaugurated the theatre training camp organised by Desiranga Samskruthika Samsthe at Kalamandira recently, seen with resource person Dr. T.S. Dinamani, Kannada and Culture Assistant Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan and Theatre Camp Director Krishna Janamana.

"It has become commonplace to hear everyone speaking about Kannada being on the verge of extinction during Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations. Does this mean Kannadigas residing in Karnataka are not speaking Kannada at home? If any language erodes, it is only during devastating conditions like war," he said, citing a few incidents.

Nowadays, there is a growing trend among people to call themselves 'thinkers' with their names printed on invitations. However, they need to specify the field in which they are thinkers. The resource person of this theatre camp, Dr. T.S. Dinamani, is a humanities expert; hence, she is addressed as a thinker in that particular field. Therefore, theatre camps are essential for youths to learn about reality, said Basavalingaiah.

Assistant Director of Kannada and Culture Department Dr. M.D. Sudarshan and Director of the Theatre Camp Krishna Janamana were present.

Carol singing competition:
Register names before Dec. 5

Mysuru, Dec.1- The 31st carol singing competition organised by Carmel Catholic Association will be held on Dec. 10 at Teresian College auditorium in Siddarthanagar, Mysuru.

The competition, with the theme 'Christmas carols,' will be held under 12 categories in English, Kannada and other regional languages.

The morning session will be for kindergarten to class 10 students and afternoon session for PU Colleges, Degree Colleges, Religious institutions, Churches, Parishes and Professionals.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Movie screening at Heritage House

Heritage House is hosting its 6th movie screening and discussion with director this Saturday (Dec. 2) at 6 pm at Heritage House in Saraswathipuram. This month's screening is the documentary 'The Road To Kuthrivar,' directed by Bharat Milre, Director of award-winning international films and the winner of Utah USA Sundance Film Festival. The documentary has been screened in many prestigious film festivals and is being screened in Mysuru for the first time in a discussion forum for a public event. For details, call Mob: 97411-73094.

Udyoga Mela

The Government ITI on Mysuru-Bengaluru Road in NR Mohalla, will be conducting a Udyoga Mela (Job Fair) at the District Employment Exchange Office in the ITI premises at 10 am on Dec. 2. The Udyoga Mela is exclusively for ITI (Fitter) qualified candidates. Those selected will be permanently employed at Colourtone, Plot No.140-a, KIADB, Badanaguppe, Chamarajanagar. The candidates must be aged between 18 and 27 years. For details, contact the District Employment Exchange Office on Ph: 0821- 2489972.

Lecture by former DFRL Scientist

As part of its Monthly Lecture Series, the Elder Citizens Council, Jayalakshmipuram, has organised a talk by Dr. A. Ramakrishna, former Senior Scientist-F and HoD (RA), DRDO, DFRL, Mysuru, on the indigenous scientific methods developed by the DFRL on preserving "Ready to eat meals" at Saraswathi Samudaya Bhavan on Monday (Dec. 4) at 5 pm For details, contact K.S. Krishna, Council Secretary on Mob: 99804-12406.

Student Scholarship

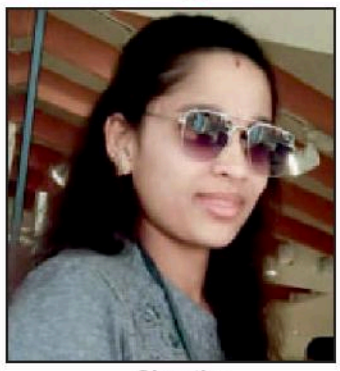
The Backward Classes Welfare Department has invited online applications from nomadic, semi-nomadic tribal students for availing post-matric student scholarship, fee exemption and benefits under Vidyasiri Scheme. Application can be submitted through the website-https://ssp.postmatric.karnataka.gov.in. Last date for applying is Jan.10, 2024. For details, log on to ***bcwdhelpline@gmail.com*** or call Helpline - 80507-70005.

Story-telling

As part of 'Kathe Kelona Banni-803,' Kalasuruchi has organised story-telling by B. Raveesh Kumar, retd. teacher & State resource person, Department of Education, Mysuru, at Suruchi Rangamane, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, on Dec. 2 between 4.30 pm and 5.30 pm. [92435-81097 or 99459-43115]

Man stabs wife at Periyapatna

Fearing her to be dead, he commits suicide



Shwetha

Prasanna

Bylakuppe, Dec. 1- A man, doubting his wife, allegedly stabbed her with a knife and fearing her to be dead he later committed suicide by hanging self at Muthina Mullusoge village in Periyapatna taluk on Wednesday night.

The man who hanged himself is Prasanna (26), a resident of Muthina Mullusoge village and his wife, who has sustained stab injuries and being treated at Madikeri District Hospital is 22-year-old Shwetha.

Shwetha was working at a textile showroom in Kushalnagar and Prasanna was working at a private finance company. Both were residing in the house opposite to each other's house in the village and were said to be in love.

After taking consent from their families, Prasanna and Shwetha got married in May 2022. Later, Prasanna doubting his wife, used to quarrel with her frequently. Their quarrel reached the Police Station and the Police along with village elders had advised them to lead a normal life.

With doubts rooted deep in his head, Prasanna had also gone to Shwetha's place of work and had fought with her during which Kushalnagar Police had advised both of them, In the meantime, Prasanna stopped going to work and began to harass his wife frequently following which Bylakuppe Police had instructed Shwetha to stay in her parents' house for three months and had warned Prasanna not to harass Shwetha, it is learnt.

On Wednesday night, Prasanna, who went to the house of Shwetha's parents, asked her to come with him and when she refused, he pulled out a knife, allegedly stabbed her and fled from the spot.

Shwetha's parents rushed their injured daughter to Kushalnagar Government Hospital and later admitted her to Madikeri District Hospital.

Fearing that his wife had died, Prasanna, who came to his house reportedly hanged himself.

Bylakuppe Sub-Inspector Malingaiah and staff, visited the spot, conducted an inspection and registered a case.

Man loses toe as bull stamps feet atop Chamundi Hill

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (SBD&KS)- A 65-year-old devotee lost his toe after a bull stamped his feet atop Chamundi Hill yesterday.

The elderly devotee was standing in front of Chamundeshwari Temple when the bull ran in between the crowd, stamping the feet of the devotee in the process resulting in the toe getting severed from his foot.

Shocked on seeing blood oozing out from his foot, the elderly man collapsed on the spot and those who had come with him rushed him to a hospital in city, locals said.

Expressing shock over the incident, local residents said that it was not the first time that devotees coming to the temple were facing such problems. Earlier too, incidents of devotees getting injured by cattle have taken place and despite bring it to the notice of the Temple Administration Board several times, no action was taken. "Who knows, loss of lives may also take place in future," they said.

Pointing out that whenever there is an increase in the number of cattle atop the hill as devotees, as part of their vow donate cows and calves, the cattle used to be caught and sent to Pinjrapole, local residents said that now, the number of cattle has increased and there is a fear of leopards attacking these cattle.

They said that steps should be taken to provide facility to take care of these cattle by collecting a nominal amount from the devotees who donate cows and calves and urged the Temple Administration Board to take immediate steps in this regard.

ACPs, Dy.SPs promoted

Mysuru, Dec. 1- The State Government has promoted 35 ACPs and Dy.SPs as Civil SPs (Non IPS) and have assigned them the places of work.

Among those promoted are city's KR Sub-Division ACP S.E. Gangadharaswamy as Mandya District Additional SP-2, Madikeri Sub-Division Dy.SP M. Jagadish as Additional SP-2 of Uttara Kannada District and Bengaluru Whitefield Sub-Division ACP Mohammed Babu as Mysuru District Additional SP-2.

Mystery shrouds death of youth in Kabini backwaters

Harshavardhan

Gundlupet, Dec. 1- A 25-year-old youth from Gundlupet has died under mysterious circumstances at Kabini backwaters and the body was found on Nov. 29.

The deceased youth has been identified as Harshavardhan alias Muthu, son of Satish and a resident of Gundlupet town. He was working at a private company in Bengaluru.

On Monday (Nov. 27), Harshavardhan left Bengaluru to Gundlupet and his friends Kishore, Rajesh and Ravi asked him not to go to his home but come to Kabini Dam. When Harshavardhan came to Kabini Dam, the four friends ate food and ventured into the backwaters for a swim during which Harshavardhan drowned. It is learnt that, Kishore, Rajesh and Ravi, out of fear, did not inform the incident to anyone and returned to the town.

As Harshavardhan did not go home, his father Satish, enquired with his relatives and Harshavardhan's friends on Tuesday (Nov. 28) during which the incident came to light. He immediately lodged a complaint against his son's friends with Saragur Police.

The Police, who registered a case, visited the spot on Nov. 29, fished out the body and shifted it to H.D. Kote Government Hospital, where post-mortem was conducted and the body was handed over to the family members.

Tiger menace: MLA GTD visits spot

Mysuru, Dec. 1- Following sighting of a leopard at a sugarcane field in Doddakanya village and spotting of tiger in Chikkakanya, Jayapura hobli in Mysuru taluk, Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda (GTD) yesterday visited the spot, where an operation to capture the tiger by the Forest Department is going on and collected details from the Forest officials.

The MLA advised the villagers not to venture out alone in the night, not to listen to rumours and co-operate with the Forest staff till the tiger is captured. He also instructed the employees of TVS factory to be very careful while going home while reporting to night duty and while leaving the factory after completing their night shift.

Assistant Conservator of Forests (ACF) Lakshmikanth, Range Forest Officer (RFO) Surendra, local leaders and others were present.

Health Minister suspends two Health Officers

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (PM&BS)- Following the cracking of female foeticide racket, heads have started to roll with Health and Family Welfare Minister Dinesh Gundurao ordering for the suspension of two Health Officers of the district.

Speaking to media persons during his visit to the now closed Mathaa Hospital at Udayagiri in city yesterday, where female foetuses were aborted by Dr. Chandan Ballal, the prime accused in the case arrested by the Police, the Minister said "We have started to initiate action against the Officers and staff of the Department for dereliction of duty and Taluk Health Officer (THO) Dr. Rajeshwari and the past Family Welfare Officer Dr. Ravi have been kept under suspension. The laxity on the part of both Dr. Rajeshwari and Dr. Ravi is palpable and hence the suspension with a pending inquiry."

With the information available over possible nexus between the racketeers and few doctors and staff of the Department, senior Officers, Deputy Commissioner (DC) and Police Officers have been instructed to take action after conducting a detailed probe on the basis of available evidence, the Minister added.

The callousness on the part of Health and Family Welfare Department is clearly visible and there is nothing to hide about. What's more worrying is that sex determination tests were conducted at Haadya village in Mandya coming under Melukote Assembly Constituency, said Minister Dinesh Gundurao.

Even though our Officers had cast a net to bust the racket four to five months ago, the accused had managed to give a slip, which shows the authorities had erred in doing a proper follow up, Health and Family Welfare Minister Dinesh Gundurao acknowledged making no bones in this regard.

THO faces Minister's wrath for faux-pas

Health and Family Welfare Minister Dinesh Gundurao took Taluk Health Officer (THO) Dr. Rajeshwari to task for her faux-pas.

When the Minister asked Dr. Rajeshwari about since how many years Mathaa Hospital was functioning and whether female foeticide racket didn't come to her notice, the latter quipped that 'the hospital has been shut for two years.' However, when the Minister enquired with the locals who had gathered at the spot, the locals said 'the hospital shut doors only three months ago.'

Besides, the locals also brought to the notice of the Minister that she (Dr. Rajeshwari) had pasted a pre-dated notice (dated five months back) on the wall of the hospital two days ago. Irked over the attitude of the said Health Officer, the Minister took her to task, in the presence of Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare Department D. Randeep, Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, City Police Commissioner B. Ramesh and DHO Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy.

District Minister warns action against 'guilty Officers'

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (BLU&BS)- Social Welfare and Mysuru District In-charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, warned of disciplinary action if the Officers are found guilty in the female foeticide racket.

Dr. Mahadevappa

Speaking to media persons at Kalamandira here yesterday, Dr. Mahadevappa said "The probe into the racket is on and if the involvement of any officers is unearthed, action will be taken without any mercy."

Chief Minister Siddharamaiah has considered the case in all seriousness, prompting a comprehensive probe and any guilty Officers won't be spared with the Government also initiating action against them later, added Dr. Mahadevappa.

There exists a Committee in Health and Family Welfare Department to visit scanning centres often and inspect the facilities in place.

They also crackdown on sex determination tests, that would be intensified further now, informed Dr. Mahadevappa hinting at taking action in such cases under Pre-conception and Pre-natal Diagnostic Techniques (Prohibition of Sex Selection) Act and Karnataka Private Medical Establishments (KPME) Act.

Boards, Corporations

With regard to nomination of Chairmen for Boards and Corporations in the State, CM Siddharamaiah has discussed with the High Command and they will decide on further matters, said Dr. Mahadevappa.

Congress party is in favour of Caste Survey report and any opinion of our party leaders irrespective of for and against is their personal opinion.

'275 female foetuses killed, numbers may go up'

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (PM&BS)- Health and Family Welfare Minister Dinesh Gundurao said "275 female foetuses have been aborted by those involved in the racket and possibilities of increase in numbers of these cases cannot be ruled out."

Sharing details regarding preliminary investigation into the racket, after chairing a meeting of Officers in city last evening, the Minister said "It is not possible to say since how many years the female foeticide racket was active, but there is no doubt over the extent of the illegal activity which spans boundary."

The investigation into the case assumes significance as female foeticide is considered as a social malaise that has to be weeded out. It is also the main reason behind falling female ratio against male, widening the gender gap further. Apart from those aborting the foetus, the women who consent for abortion also have to face punitive action. There is a need to strengthen law further. On the other hand awareness will also be created among women, he added.

Those arrested in the case are quacks with Chandan Ballal the prime accused in the case not having any MBBS certificate. The investigation is also being conducted into the involvement of several others and discussions are on to ensure those proven guilty will be punished by the Court, added Minister Dinesh Gundurao.

CID to probe female foeticide racket: CM

Bengaluru, Dec. 1 (KMS, PM&BS)- The State Government has handed over the female foeticide racket case that has sent shockwaves across the State to Criminal Investigation Department (CID) considering the enormity of the case spanning several districts.

According to Chief Minister's Office, CM Siddharamaiah spoke to Home Minister Dr.G. Parameshwar over phone yesterday night and issued directions in this regard.

Though the case has been registered at Baiyappanahalli Police Station, pregnant women from various parts of the State were subjected to sex determination tests at a scanning centre set up at a jaggery unit in Mandya district before aborting only female foetuses in Mysuru, according to preliminary investigation.

The racket is not restricted to a particular Police Station or a district and is suspected to have its roots spread beyond the State. So, the case is being handed over to CID for a thorough investigation, it is said.

KRRS opposes Intl. Cricket Stadium in city outskirts

Mysuru,Dec.1 (GA&DM) - The Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha (KRRS) has opposed the construction of an international Cricket stadium at Huyilalu in the city outskirts and as well as the expansion of the runway of Mysuru Airport at Mandakalli.

Addressing a press meet here yesterday, KRRS President Badagalapaura Nagendra said that the place where the proposed International Cricket Stadium is set to come up at Huyilalu in Yelwal hobli, is an eco-sensitive zone. Asserting that Mysuru does not need any such stadium, he said that the KRRS would strongly oppose the stadium plans. Maintaining that the Mysuru Airport at Mandakalli does not need any expansion, Nagendra alleged that the expansion would pave the way for land grabbing in the name of development. Stating that the KRRS opposes MP Pratap Simmha's development model, he warned of an intensive agitation if the MP went ahead with his developmental plans, which is nothing but land deals.

Contending that the farmers agitation at Bengaluru's Freedom Park has been partially successful, he said that the Government has convened a meeting with farmer leaders at Bengaluru on Dec.19 for discussing agrarian issues. The farmers will intensify the agitation if the Government does not fulfill or consider our demands during the meeting, he said.

Obituary

C. Vittal

Mysuru, Dec. 1- C. Vittal (72), retd. Assistant Controller of Accounts at Mandya Zilla Panchayat and a resident of Kuvempunagar, passed away on Wednesday in city. He leaves behind his wife, two sons and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday.

Team India Head Coach but... a father first

Rahul Dravid with wife Dr. Vijeta seen this morning in city watching their son play Cricket Tournament

Mysuru, Dec.1 (MTY,LNY&DM)- The BCCI (Board of Control for Cricket in India) Under-19 Cooch Behar National Cricket Tournament, hosted by Mysuru Zone of Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA), got off to a start at SDNR (Srikanta Datta Narasimharaja) Wadiyar Stadium in Manasagangothri here this morning, with hosts Karnataka taking on Uttarakhand in the four-day match.

Uttarakhand, who won the toss and elected to bat first, were 117 for 4 in 38 overs when we went to the press. The visitors got off to a poor start losing three quick wickets (Abhyuday-9 runs, Poorvansh Dhruv-2 and Abhinav- 0), before captain Aarav Mahajan and Sansakar Raut resurrected the innings and took the team total beyond the 100 run mark.

Raut (43 runs) was the fourth wicket to fall, following which Mahajan (53 n.o) was joined by wicket-keeper batsman Rajyavardhan (1 n.o) and the two were at the crease when we went to the press.

For hosts Karnataka, Mysuru lad Ishaan picked up three wickets, while Samarth bagged the other wicket.

Samit Dravid, the son of former Cricketer and currently BCCI National Head Coach Rahul Dravid is playing in this match. Rahul Dravid, fresh from the just concluded World Cup in which hosts India lost to Australia in the finals and his wife Dr. Vijeta, were seen in a relaxed mood watching their son play in the Under-19 Tournament in Mysuru.

Samit Dravid

Rahul Dravid refused to give interviews saying he was there like any other parent of a cricketer to watch their child play.

Samit Dravid is an all-rounder, who had figures of 11/0 in the 5 overs that he had bowled when we went to the press.

Karnataka will play Uttar Pradesh in their next match at the same venue (SDNR Wadiyar Stadium) to be held from Dec. 8 to Dec. 11, according to KSCA, Mysuru Zone Convenor R.K. Hari Krishna Kumar, who said that all preparations for the match were made much in advance.

City Pourakarmikas join State-wide protest

Mysuru, Dec.1 (GA&TRR)- Hundreds of Pourakarmikas led by former Mayor Narayana took out a procession from old Milk Dairy junction in Siddarthanagar to new Deputy Commissioner's Office in city this morning, as part of a State-wide agitation, urging for fulfilment of their demands.

Karnataka Rajya Mahanagara Palike, Nagarasabhe, Purasabhegala Pourakarmikara Mahasangha had called for a State-wide protest seeking fulfilment of their various demands including regularisation of services of 544 UGD assistants in City Corporations as well as the services of drivers of vehicles deployed to door-door garbage collection by amending Cadre and Recruitment (C&R) Rules. They also demanded that the next kin of the Civic workers receiving direct pay be given job on compassionate grounds and financial assistance of Rs.25,000 be given for funeral in the event of death; Rs.10 lakh relief be paid in case of mishap, regularisation of outsourced civic workers, UGD Safai Karmacharis, loaders, cleaners and drivers.

The protesters also submitted a memorandum to a representative at DC's Office.

Body Cams

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The cameras were sanctioned after a successful trial, with on-duty Police manning traffic in city centre, using the equipment.

Dayanand, who now heads Bengaluru City Police as Commissioner, can be still seen sporting Body Cam.

When *SOM* spoke to Mysuru City Police Chief B. Ramesh about the latest circular, he said "We have not received any circular, order or communication so far about Body Cams. However, we have been using already sanctioned cameras during the tenure of my predecessor Dayanand. If the fresh order is issued, we shall have to take sanction and implement."

The District Police too are equipped with 54 Body Cams and majority of them are used by traffic wing. However, it is only during sensitive situations that even those Police personnel manning Law and Order are also made to use those cameras.

DG and IGP Alok Mohan was not available for comment.

Hoax bomb threats shut down schools in Bengaluru

Bengaluru, Dec. 1 (Agencies)- Over 20 schools in Bengaluru received bomb threats via email this morning, forcing authorities to evacuate the students for checks by the anti-sabotage and bomb squads of the city Police, a senior Police official said. Bengaluru City Police Commissioner B. Dayanand has called the threat a hoax.

The email threats are on similar lines to those received in multiple schools in 2022, Police sources added.

The emails received this morning were sent from various addresses by masking the IP address of origin, Police sources said.

As many as 20 schools were forced to take emergency action in the wake of the threats, including sending the children back home or making them wait for Police clearance to return to classes.

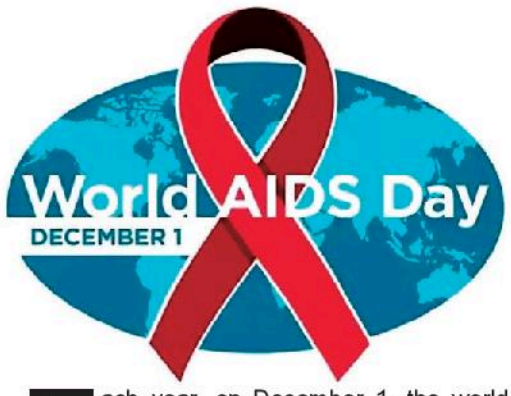
"We are verifying the source of the email. We are taking this seriously. I have informed the Police to check this on priority," Home Minister Dr. G. Parameshwar said.

Chief Minister Siddharamaiah reassured parents, stating, "Precautionary measures have been taken and there's no need for parents to panic. I have instructed the Police to inspect the schools and enhance security. A preliminary report has been received from the Police Department."

Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar visited some of the schools and took stock of the situation as the students, teachers and parents were in panic.

World AIDS Day today

Let communities lead



By Dr. S.N. Mothi
Founder Trustee,
Asha Kirana Charitable Trust Hospital and Research Centre,
Mysuru.

Each year, on December 1, the world commemorates World AIDS Day and the theme of World AIDS Day-2023 is **'Let communities lead.'** It is a moment to inspire the leadership needed to create a future where HIV doesn't stand in the way of anyone's life.

World AIDS Day remains as relevant today as it has always been, reminding people and governments that HIV has not gone away. There is still a critical need for increased funding for the AIDS response, to increase awareness of the impact of HIV on people's lives, to end stigma and discrimination and to improve the quality of life of people living with HIV [UNAIDS].

- HIV remains a major global public health issue, having claimed 40.4 million (32.9 - 51.3 million) lives so far with ongoing transmission in all countries globally; with some countries reporting increasing trends in new infections when previously on the decline.
- There were an estimated 39.0 million (33.1 - 45.7 million] people living with HIV at the end of 2022, two thirds of whom (25.6 million) are in the WHO African Region.
- In 2022, 6,30,000 (4,80,000 - 8,80,000] people died from HIV-related causes and 1.3 million (1.0 - 1.7 million) people acquired HIV.
- There is no cure for HIV infection. However, with access to effective HIV prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care, including for opportunistic infections, HIV infection has become a manageable chronic health condition, enabling people living with HIV to lead long and healthy lives.
- WHO, the Global Fund and UNAIDS all have global HIV strategies that are aligned with the SDG target 3.3 of ending the HIV epidemic by 2030.
- By 2025, 95% of all people living with HIV (PLHIV) should have a diagnosis, 95% of those should be taking life-saving anti-retroviral treatment (ART) and 95% of PLHIV on treatment should achieve a suppressed viral load for the benefit of the person's health and for reducing onward HIV transmission. In 2022, these percentages were 86 (%) [73–>98%], 89(%) 75–>98%] and 93(%) [79–>98%], respectively.
- When considering all people living with HIV, 86% [73>–98%] knew their status, 76% [65 - 89%] were receiving anti-retroviral therapy and 71% [60 - 83%] had suppressed viral loads.

To optimise the programmatic impact of HIV treatment and promote efficiency gains, the use of person-centred, differentiated care models has been adopted by countries, reducing the HIV disease burden on health systems and improving patient's quality of care.

India has the third highest burden of HIV in the world with an estimated 24 lakh people living with HIV, 63,000 estimated new infections and 42,000 AIDS-related deaths annually.

Adolescents and youths are considered as a new risk group in AIDS pandemic. Being fashionable and partying is OK but remember to be responsible and take preventive precautions.

We at Asha Kirana have seen 3 decades of the pandemic — from a situation when no treatment available to one pill a day... from a situation of death sentence if HIV positive to can live a healthy, productive life... from being an HIV positive kid born from a HIV positive parent to being a parent of HIVe negative kid!

"Life has completed a full circle now"

Out of 225 positive kids under our care, we have 16 positive kids, acquired the disease through vertical transmission, who grew up into responsible adults, got married to positive people and are the parents of HIV negative kids now.

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It is much rewarding to see our kids, who grew with no hopes in their future and became the brand ambassadors for a HIV-free world now.

HIV Matrimony (Vadhu Varara Samavesha) is happening once in 3 to 4 months in different parts of Karnataka since last few years. Positive people are eager to build their lives, having a life partner and there is an overwhelming response in every matrimonial event. This is truly a good sign in the perspective of people living with HIV/AIDS that we have won the battle of stigma related to the disease.

NOTE: ***Asha Kirana is hosting a 2-day National Annual Update on HIV/AIDS "HIVeMysuru" on Feb.17 and 18, 2024. About 200 ART Medical Officers, National and International faculties will be participating in this event.***

Selection trials for KSCA U-14 Mysuru Zone boys team

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (BS)- Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA), Mysuru Zone, conducted a two-day selection trials for its U-14 Boys Cricket Team of Mysuru district at Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE) grounds in city yesterday and today.

Convener of KSCA Mysuru Zone R.K. Hari Krishna Kumar said "In all 284 budding cricketers are taking part in the selection trials, with the Chairman of Selection Committee Nirmith and Members Chetan, Deepak S. Gowda and Somashekar supervising the process. U-14 League Match and Nanjangud Cricket Championship are already conducted. As is the procedure, four district-level teams of 15-member in each squad will be formed totalling 60 players. Among 60 players, 15 players will be selected for 15-member squad of Mysuru zone with five as reserve players."

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Use Kannada at Selfie Spot

Kannada Development Authority Secretary directs Dasara Exhibition authorities

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (PM&TRR)- Following a complaint by pro-Kannada activist Aravinda Sharma, Kannada Development Authority (KDA) Secretary Dr. Santhosh Hangal has directed Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) CEO to take steps to use Kannada language in lieu of English at the 'Selfie Spot' in Dasara Exhibition premises in the city.

Kannada activist Sharma in an email addressed to KDA had complained against the use of English words **'I Love Mysuru Dasara Expo"** at the Selfie Spot at Dasara Exhibition premises, along with photos and urged KDA to issue a notice to KEA CEO and ensure that Kannada gets the priority at the Selfie Spot.

Responding to his complaint, Secretary of KDA has pointed out that as per the Official Languages Act 1963 and the various subsequent circulars of the State Government, Kannada should be used as the Official Language of the State at all levels.

"Kannada should be the Official Language and must be used as the official language of the State and all departments must join hands to ensure the development of Kannada. Hence, it is the duty of you and me to use Kannada everywhere," says the letter written by the Secretary to CEO of KEA Rajesh G. Gowda.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* in this connection, KEA CEO Rajesh Gowda acknowledged that he has received a mail from KDA directing him to use Kannada primarily.

"Since Mysuru Dasara is famous all over the world, tourists visit Mysuru from across the globe. Hence, we have used English," he clarified.

"Selfie Point is not an information centre. We have given priority to Kannada language everywhere in the expo except this spot. We will provide another Selfie Point in Kannada for next Dasara," said the CEO and added that he will soon write to KDA in this regard.

'Study books, don't rely on cellphone, google'

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (BLU & TRR)- Retired Professor of Department of Studies in Political Science, University of Mysore, Prof. H.M. Rajashekar advised students to study books instead of relying more on mobile phones and google.

He was speaking at a series of lectures organised at the Department of Studies in Political Science titled 'Indian Constitution and Indian Political System' to commemorate 74th Constitution Day on Nov. 27.

"Students will gain more knowledge if they depend on teachers and books. But of late, students are staying away from books and relying on mobile apps and google for obtaining information. Google and Apps doesn't provide complete information as they are not updated regularly. Hence, the knowledge gained through them is incomplete," said Prof. Rajashekar and rued that students have given up the habit of reading books and are not visiting libraries, which has resulted in the closure of many book shops.

Expressing his concern over passing of Bills in the Parliament without proper discussions, Prof. Rajashekar said this is a dangerous trend and felt that detailed discussions must be held about the pros and cons of a Bill before they are passed as an Act and implemented. "Every Government which has a people's mandate must complete its full five-year term in office. It is only then the development works can be carried out effectively failing which the development of States and the nation will suffer. All party leaders have misused the provision to impose President's Rule," he said.

Head of the Department of Studies in Political Science Prof. Krishna R. Hombal, Director of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Research and Extension Centre Prof. J. Somashekar and Prof. Ramachandrappa were present.

Fight inevitable when land, language and water face threat: MP Prasad

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (BLU & TRR)- "Whenever Karnataka faces threat to its land, language and water, Kannadigas must unitedly fight setting aside all the differences," opined Chamarajanagar MP V. Sreenivasa Prasad.

He was speaking at a felicitation programme to honour Prof. C. Naganna, who was recently conferred Kannada Rajyotsava Award by State Government, at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Research and Extension Centre, Manasagangothri in the city recently. The programme was jointly organised by Samanate, Swabhimana, Swavalambane Pratishtana and Samanate Prakashana.

"No other language can match the language that come out of our mother's womb. Understanding this significance, the use of Kannada must be made mandatory in Court and general administration. The Primary Education in Kannada medium must be made compulsory," said Sreenivasa Prasad.

Stating that Kannada, which has a history of over two thousand years, has got Classical Language status, the MP said "Central Government has accorded Classical Language status to Kannada because of the long and rich heritage of our language." Language is a very sensitive issue and any minor lapse will incite people, who will hit back. The Gokak Movement in 1980s included, there are many instances of similar protests and agitations to protect the interest of the Kannadigas, said Prasad.

He expressed his happiness that Prof. Naganna has been rightly bestowed with the Rajyotsava award and felt that he should have been given the award much earlier.

Prof. Naganna and his wife were felicitated by MP Prasad on the occasion. Dr. Kalyanasiri Bhanteji of Vishwa Maithri Buddha Vihar presided. Senior Scholar Dr. N.S. Taranath, Maddikere Gopal, Prof. Basavaraj and Dr. Mullur Nanjundaswamy were present.

Folk scholar calls for American system of education in India

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (GA & DM)- "Our country which is still following the text-book pattern of education needs to follow the American pattern of education where students are assigned tasks as it will help a lot in enhancing their thinking ability," opined senior folk scholar Prof. H.S. Ramachandregowda (Hi. Shi. Ramachandregowda).

He was speaking after releasing writer Prof. V.N. Shivaram's book 'Janapada-Jaanapada', a folk study and field study book, at a programme organised at Junior B.A. Hall of Maharaja's College here on Wednesday.

Bemoaning that our education system does not teach the youth on how to lead life, Ramachandregowda said that we are still following the text-book pattern which does not suit in the current context.

"Our country should come out of this mindset and facilitate innovative and research-mindedness in education. Then only the youths of our country can build their life that is both strong and purposeful. There is no caste and creed for folklore and welcomes everyone. Folklore also involves everybody," he opined.

Maharaja's College Principal Prof. L. Somashekarappa, Administrative Officer V. Shanmugham, Dr. M. Byregowda, Folklore Department Head Dr. H.R. Chetana, Prof. Vijayalakshmi Manapura, Dr. Jayalakshmi Seetapura, Mylahalli Revanna and others were present on the occasion.

Ballal Circle Street Food Zone nearing completion

Can accommodate 40 food vendors; space for footpath and crowd movement

Mysuru, Dec.1 (PM&BCT)- The plan to construct dedicated street food zones at various parts of the city was mooted by the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) in 2004 and the civic body has been implementing the project at places in stages, despite the bureaucratic delay, fund crunch and after taking into confidence the area elected representatives.

The latest in the block is the dedicated street food zone near Ballal Circle (Ashoka Circle) in Krishnamurthypuram. The zone is in Ward 56, attached to Vedanta Hemmige Circle by the side of the New Kantharaj Urs Road in Krishnamurthypuram. The exclusive zone, 200 ft in length and 34 ft in width, can accommodate 40 street food vendors. Works are on in final stages and will be opened soon.

This Food Street will primarily cater to fast-food vendors who currently operate on roadsides and footpaths in makeshift stalls. Built at a cost of Rs. 69 lakh, the food zone is nearing completion. The funds for this project have been procured from Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) and the initiative comes under the MCC Zone 2.

The exclusive food zone is complete with drinking water, parking and proper waste disposal facilities. Electricity connection has been provided so that the vendors can feed the public till the designated time during night hours, said MCC Zone 2 Commissioner Nagaraj.

Each food vendor will get an 11 ft long and 9 ft wide area to sell food and there will be 5 ft space for pedestrians to move around, said MCC Zone 2 Junior Engineer Dayananda.

The initiative addresses the frequent clashes between food vendors and civic authorities, often attributed to delays in identifying and establishing dedicated street food zones. In many instances, vendors face forced eviction with Police assistance.

While MCC authorities assert adherence to Municipal Administration Laws for eviction, vendors cite high-handedness and harassment. The absence of clear guidelines places food vendors at risk of eviction during water-borne disease outbreaks in the summer.

Inspired by Bengaluru's example, the primary objective of this concept is to consolidate the diverse fast-food joints scattered throughout the city into one central location. This plan aims to accommodate the city's growing population, which has already exceeded one million.

Mysuru, once known for comprehensive planning during the princely rule, has seen its reputation tarnished by the proliferation of fast-food joints occupying spaces at their discretion, leading to traffic congestion and improper and unhygienic waste disposal, especially in narrow lanes.

10 more Circles to get signal lights

New signal lights to be operational in a week's time, says ACP (Traffic) Parashuramappa

Metal poles dumped on footpath to install new signal lights at RTO Circle. Picture right shows Agrahara Circle in city where too signal lights will be installed.

Mysuru, Dec. 1 (RK&BS)- Following the burgeoning vehicle density having a ripple effect on smooth flow of traffic here, the City Police are all set to install 10 more signal lights at equal number of Circles and junctions. With this the total number of Circles/junctions will increase from existing 52 to 62, which are expected to be functional within a week's time.

Ten more Circles and junctions that will get signal lights are: RTO Circle, Agrhara Circle, Kautilya Circle in front of Crawford Hall, Rajarajeshwari Nagar Circle on Outer Ring Road (ORR), Akkamahadevi road junction in JP Nagar, Devegowda Circle on Bannur road, KSRTC Bus Depot junction in Sathagalli, ORR in Vijayanagar Fourth Stage, Basavanahalli junction, Hinkal ORR junction and Nazarbad Circle.

The existing Circles/ junctions with signal lights are: KR Circle in the heart of the city, Sanskrit Patashala Circle, Ramaswamy Circle, MUDA Circle, Hotel Metropole Circle, Dasappa Circle, Nehru Circle, Kalamandira junction, Valmiki road junction, Paduvarahalli junction, Vontikoppal Circle, Akashvani Circle, Old RMC junction and Bogadi ORR junction to name a few.

ACP (Traffic) Parashuramappa told *Star of Mysore* "The works on erecting metal poles for installing new signal lights are underway and they will start functioning soon. The new initiative is aimed at streamlining the traffic to control the rate of accidents and people have to co-operate by following traffic rules."

Apart from regular traffic, there has been an increase in traffic density especially after Shakti scheme that provides for free travel for women in KSRTC buses was rolled out on June 11, 2023. Besides, there has been a surge in number of vehicles irrespective of public and private vehicles including autorickshaws, taxis, cabs and private buses. With e-Commerce also gaining traction, there has been an increase in number of delivery boys riding two-wheelers to supply food, vegetables, garments, electronic goods among several other products to the doorstep of the consumers, thus contributing to the growing traffic density in an otherwise 'transport-friendly city'.

WORD OF THE DAY

Nebbish

Pronunciation: NEB-ish.
Meaning: Nebbish refers to a timid, meek, or ineffectual person.
Origin: "It looks like Pa isn't anything like the nebbish Ma is always making him out to be." Sounds like poor Pa got a bum rap, at least according to a 1951 book review that appeared in The New York Times. The unfortunate Pa unwittingly demonstrates much about the etymology of nebbish, which comes from the Yiddish word nebekh, meaning "poor" or "unfortunate." In keeping with the term's semantic timidity, its journey from Yiddish to English wasn't accomplished in a single bold leap. In the earliest known English example of the word, it's an adjective meaning "harmless or ineffectual." That mid-19th century use was joined in early 20th century by noun we're familiar with today. Along the way, nebbish has also been used in English as an interjection expressing dismay, pity, sympathy, or regret. The English adjective and interjection are too rare to be included in most general-use English dictionaries, but the noun has made a place for itself in the common lexicon, proving that it's less of a nebbish than timid & meek types it refers to.
Example: "[Actor, Paul] Rudd is outstanding, as he toys with his own likability in his performance. Initially, he uses his Paul Rudd charm to persuade Marty [Markowitz, character] and us, that 'Dr. Ike' is a good man whose goal is to help this poor nebbish. We all get swept up in his promise not to let people use Marty, and he lets his wife and his friends think he's performing a mitzvah by bringing the introverted Marty out of his shell." — Matthew Gilbert, The Boston Globe, 17 Jan. 2023.

THE ODD WORD

Napoh

Southeast Asian mouse deer.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Nest egg

Meaning: You use the term 'Nest Egg' to indicate that something has been saved or set aside for later use.
Origin: The term 'Nest egg' originated in the 14th century or perhaps earlier, when people began putting an egg into a hen's nest to induce her to lay more eggs.
Example: "Grandma built up a nice nest egg before she retired."

QUOTE BOX

Success is full of promise till one gets it, and then it seems like a nest from which the bird has flown. **—Henry Ward Beecher**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

PLOT

Answer: Plot thickens.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Taverns or inns
5 Gibson or Brooks of Hollywood
8 Hill dwellers
12 Mine products
13 Alien vehicle
14 Part of speech
15 ___ majesty : treason toward the king or country ?
16 With each note detached, musically
18 Flight from the law
19 Peevish
20 Center
21 Apple's tablet
23 High speed diesel, in short
25 Brush-like growth
27 Recover from? (3,4)
31 An agreement
32 New rose
33 Walk in water
34 Tidy smokers use this? (3-4)
36 English racecourse
37 Over there, poetically contracted?
38 General location
39 Seller-Furnished Equip.
42 Decree
44 Gumshoe or investigator
47 "Troilus and ___" play by Shakespeare?
49 Jetty
50 Swiss river - change of "area"?
51 Rocky hill
52 Soothing ointment __ Balsam
53 An Indian peasant during the British rule
54 Satellite Landing Sys.
55 Type of gemstone

DOWN

1 Ballot or election
2 Popular fertilizer
3 Soil; stain
4 Compass direction
5 Pondered in silence
6 Newts
7 Abhorred
8 African Natl. Cong.
9 Yannick ___ : the French tennis star?
10 Ballet skirt
11 Elitist
17 A small swelling
19 Q's neighbour on keyboard
22 Fixative for window
24 Wet thoroughly
25 A health resort near a spring or at the seaside
26 A ___ been : a spent force?
27 Man
28 Holiday
29 Old name for Tokyo
30 Soap flax
32 Brigands
35 "Sore" anagram for a lot of eggs?
36 Illustrative craft
38 Aircraft Communications Addressing & Reporting Sys.
39 Skin blemish
40 Cause friction
41 Architect Saarinen
43 Figure of worship
45 Like congers
46 Essence
48 Hardened / fixed in a position
49 Patent Trademark Off.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

G	I	S	■	Z	I	N	C	■	T	E	A	R
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M	L	C	■	A	L	A	M	■	L	U	K	E
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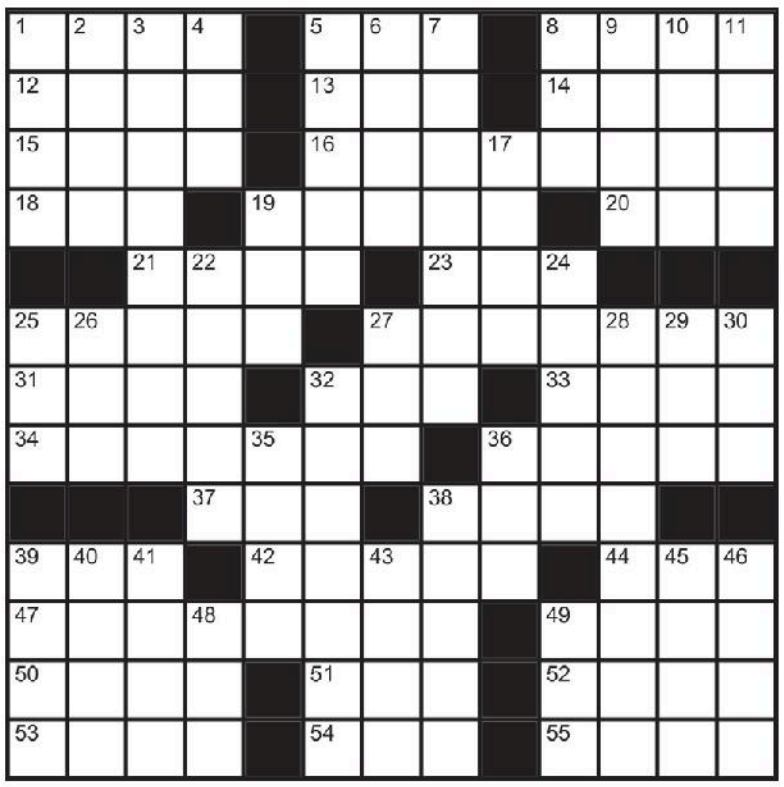

SUDOKU

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	1		7			6		
7			9		5			4
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					8			3
6	2					8		7
				6				9

Answer to previous puzzle

9	8	3	1	2	7	5	6	4
4	5	2	8	3	6	9	7	1
7	6	1	4	9	5	2	3	8
3	4	6	9	7	2	8	1	5
8	7	9	3	5	1	6	4	2
2	1	5	6	8	4	7	9	3
1	2	4	5	6	9	3	8	7
5	9	8	7	4	3	1	2	6
6	3	7	2	1	8	4	5	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

C HBCI AZ GBV CIYCQZ ENCGV VB DN WNCXTNL, AV

BUVNG ZNWJNZ ZAEKIQ CZ ZBENVTAGH VB CAE CV.

TODAY'S CLUE: H EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Good friends, good books and a sleepy conscience: this is the ideal life.

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Animal (H)	(S-1)	10.25 am, 2.20 pm, 6.10 pm
	(S-4)	6.30 pm, 10.15 pm
Animal (Te)	(S-1)	10.05 pm
Animal (K)	(S-3)	12.45 pm
Ardhambardha Premakathe (K)	(S-2)	10.25 am
Parking (Ta)	(S-2)	1.20 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	(S-2)	4.00 pm, 7.00 pm, 10.00 pm
Bad Manners (K)	(S-3)	10.10 am
Annapoorani - Goddess of Food (Ta)	(S-3)	4.30 pm
Sapta Sagardaache Ello - B (K)	(S-3)	7.20 pm (S-4) 10.05 am, 1 pm
Atharva (Te)	(S-3)	10.15 pm
Ranchi (K)	(S-4)	3.50 pm

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Parking (Ta)	(S-1)	10.35 am
Saptha Sagaradaache Ello – B (K)	(S-1)	1.10 pm; (S-4) 10.45 am
Bad Manners (K)	(S-1)	4.00 pm
Ardhambardha Prema Kathe (K)	(S-1)	6.35 pm
Annapoorani: Goddess of Food (Ta)	(S-1)	9.15 pm
Animal (H)	(S-2)	10.00 am, 6.00 pm, 9.45 pm
	(S-3)	7.45 pm; (S-4) 2.40 pm
Animal (K)	(S-3)	1.05 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	(S-2)	1.45 pm; (S-4) 9.30 pm
	(S-3)	10.10 am, 4.50 pm
Napolean (E)	(S-4)	6.25 pm

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Animal (K)	: 1.50 pm
Annapoorani - Goddess of Food (Ta)	: 4.15 pm
Kaathal - The Core (Ma)	: 10.15 pm
Parking (Ta)	: 1.25 pm, 7.20 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	: 9.20 am, 12.15 pm, 3.30 pm 6.45 pm, 10.00 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello - B (K)	: 12.35 pm, 7.05 pm
Shoshite (K)	: 11.00 am
Tiger 3 (H)	: 3.45 pm, 10.10 pm

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Animal (K)	: 12.05 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	: 8.50 am, 12.15 pm, 3.30 pm 6.45 pm, 10.00 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello - B (K)	: 4.10 pm
Ardhambardha Prema Kathe (K)	: 7.15 pm
Parking (2023) (Ta)	: 10.15 pm

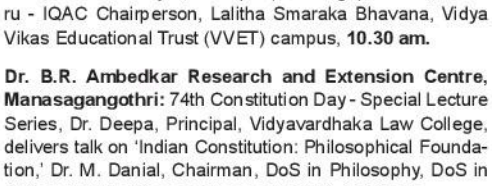
EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 1)

- **NCC & NCC Alumni Association of Mysore Group:** 75th Raising Day of NCC, Achievers Award presentation, honouring senior citizen ex-Cadets and remembering Martyr Lt. Ashok P. Mutgikar, Gp. Capt. (Dr.) Vinay Vittal (retd.), Indian Air Force and Ex-Cadet; Prof. M. Nataraj, retd. Principal, SVC and Maj. Ex-ANO and Ex-Cadet; A.V. Vidyashankar, Founder, MD, Abhinava Group and Ex-Cadet, chief guests, Sarada Vilas College Centenary Hall, **4 pm.**
- **Malavalli Rangabandi:** Staging of Shashikanta Yadahalli's play 'Anurakte,' Mono act by Umashree Madhu Malavalli, KSGH Music and Performing Arts University VC Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote inaugurates, Kannada & Culture Assistant Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan, Preethi Nagaraj, Shashikanta Yadahalli, Prasanna Kumar Keragodu and M.L. Madhukar chief guests, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, Hunsur Road, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 2)

- **District Administration and ZP, District Health & Family Welfare Department, Karnataka State AIDS Prevention Society, Bengaluru, District AIDS Prevention & Control Unit, Mysuru, Lions Blood Bank Jeevadhara, Asha Kirana, Ananda Jyoti Positive Network, Ashodaya Saiti, SVYM, Mysuru, CRDS LWS, Gaurd Institution, MAHAN, IMA, Mysuru:** World AIDS Day, Senior Civil Judge and DLSA Member-Secretary B.G. Dinesh flags off rally from Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, **9 am;** Stage programme, District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa inaugurates, Animal Husbandry Minister K. Venkatesh guest of honour, MLA K. Harishgowda presides, MPs Pratap Simmha, V. Sreenivasa Prasad and Sumalatha Ambarish chief guests, Platinum Jubilee Hall, J.K. Grounds, **10.30 am.**
- **Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru City Unit, JSS Educational Institutions:** Vachana Gayana - Vaachana-Vykhyaana, Dr. C.P. Lavanya, Professor, Seshadripuram Degree College, delivers lecture on 'Vachana Sahitya - Samajika Chintane,' JSS PU College Principal A.R. Kantharaju distributes prizes, JSS High School Head Master V. Nagesh will be present, Sharana Sahitya Mysuru City Unit President M.G. Sadanandaiah presides, JSS High School and PU College auditorium, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **11 am.**
- **Vidyavardhaka Sangha (VVS) - Vidyavardhaka First Grade College (VFGC):** Kala Sambhrama, State-level Inter-College Debate and Bhavageete, poet Jayappa Honnali inaugurates, VVS Hon. President Gundappa Gowda presides, Secretary P. Vishwanath, Treasurer Shrishaila Ramannavar, VFGC Management Board President T. Nagaraju and Principal Dr. S. Marigowda, chief guests, , **10 am;** Prize distribution, College premises, Seshadri Iyer Road, **4 pm.**
- **'Law Guide' Kannada Monthly:** Release of 2024 Calendar and Diary by retd. Judge C.G. Hungund and launch of 'Law Guide Web' online edition by Data Security Council of India (DSCI) Senior Director K. Venkatesh Murthy, felicitation to *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra* Founder-Editor K.B. Ganapathy, CFTRI Scientist Dr. Shylaja Dharmesh and Senior Journalist Amshi Prasannakumar; MLAs G.T. Devegowda & A. Manju and MLC Marithibbegowda, chief guests, Mysuru Bar Association President M. Mahadevaswamy, Secretary Umesh and 'Law Guide' Editor H.N. Venkatesh will be present, Hotel Metropole, JLB Road, **10.30 am.**
- **District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Sri Maradilingeshwara Prakashana and Amruteshwara Prakashana, Mysuru:** MLA G.T. Devegowda to release books 'Malavalliya Ithihasa mattu Samskruti' and 'Sir M. Vivesvarayanavara Jeevana mattu Sadhanegalu,' authored by Assistant Professor Dr. Sumithra, KSOU Registrar Prof. KLN Murthy chief guest, DoS in History Chairman Prof. Y.H. Nayakavadi and Journalist Amshi Prasannakumar chief guests, senior writer from Malavalli M.C. Narayana speaks, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal presides, Parishat premises, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **10.30 am.**

JSS Sangeetha Sabha



Inauguration of **Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji** Memorial 28th Music Conference, Suttur Seer **Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji** graces, veteran mridangist **A.V. Anand** chairs, Bangalore (North) University VC Niranjan Vanalli and former MLC G. Madhusudan chief guests, **5.30 pm;** Flute recital by Heramba and Hemantha, accompanied by Vaibhav Ramani on violin, Arjun Kumar on mridanga and by G.S. Ramanujan on ghata, Navajyothi auditorium, JSS Women's College premises, Saraswathipuram, **6.30 pm.**

- **Karnataka Institute for Law and Parliamentary Reform (KILPAR), Bengaluru, in collaboration with Organising Committee Golden Jubilee Celebration of Keshavananda Bharathi Judgement - Edneer Mutt and VVET - Vidya Vikas Institute of Legal Studies (VVILS), Mysuru:** National Seminar on 'Significance, Content and Impact of Kesavananda Bharathi Judgement upon the Constitutional Jurisprudence: A Golden Jubilee Assessment,' Sri Sachidananda Swamiji of Edneer Mutt, Kasaragod, Kerala (Successor of Keshavananda Bharathi), will grace the occasion, Justice S.R. Bannurmath, Chairman, Law Commission of Karnataka, Bengaluru, inaugurates, Justice Krishna S. Dixit, Judge, High Court of Karnataka, delivers keynote address, K. Dwaraknath Babu, Director, KILPAR, Bengaluru, presides, Vasu, Chairman, VVET, V. Kaveesh Gowda, Secretary, VVET, Prof. P. Ishwara Bhat, Legal Education Advisor, VVILS and Dr. Revaiah Odeyar, Research Head, KILPAR, guests of honour, Prof. C.S. Patil, Research Professor, KILPAR and Prof. P. Ishwara Bhat, resource persons, Dr. M.N. Sanjith, Principal (in-Charge), VVILS, Musuru - IQAC Chairperson, Lalitha Smaraka Bhavana, Vidya Vikas Educational Trust (VVET) campus, **10.30 am.**
- **Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Research and Extension Centre, Manasagangothri:** 74th Constitution Day - Special Lecture Series, Dr. Deepa, Principal, Vidyavardhaka Law College, delivers talk on 'Indian Constitution: Philosophical Foundation,' Dr. M. Danial, Chairman, DoS in Philosophy, DoS in Philosophy premises, Manasagangothri, **10.30 am.**
- **Gayana Sabha, Mysuru:** Karnatak Classical Music Concert by Vidushi Srimatha Ramanand, Adamya Ramanand on mridanga and Prithvi Bhaskar on violin, Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium, 581/1, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, 1st Phase, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Viprananda speaks on 'Karmayoga,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

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Sam Bahadur (H)	: 9.25 am, 3.50 pm 7.05 pm, 10.20 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello - B (K)	: 12.40 pm
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